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<b>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</b>  Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	Application Number	09/884,792
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Further to the telephonic election of Group II claims with traverse made on Thursday, December 12, 2002, please enter the following amendments:

### AMENDMENTS

#### In The Claims

Please Cancel Claims 1 and 2.

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33. (Once Amended) A system for array hybridization, said system comprising:  
 (a) a hybridization station, and  
 (b) at least one hybridization chamber according to claim 3.